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DEATH CLAIMS BETHEL'S OLDEST CITIZEN

After about three months of failing health following a surgical operation in September, Francis S. Chandler passed away at his home on Main Street early Tuesday morning, Jan. 6. He was nearly 95 years of age.

Mr. Chandler was born in North Conway, N. H., Feb. 11, 1830, the son of Joseph F. and Hannah Shirley Chandler. His boyhood days were spent in Conway and Fryeburg where he received his education. In 1854 the family moved to Bethel, and he with his brother William opened a store and carried on this business for four years, when they purchased a tavern at the head of Mill Hill and opened the first "Chandler House." About four years later Mr. Chandler built the second "Chandler House," later known as the Bethel House which burned several years ago. This latter house was carried on about ten years and entered to city boarders, and was the first hotel in Bethel to cater to that trade.

Mr. Chandler acted for several winters as inspector in the New York Custom House and also assisted in the management of the Eastman House, the North Conway House and Sunset Pavilion for several years. He at one time conducted boarding houses in Auburn and Lewiston, and was proprietor of "The Elms" in Bethel for a year.

After getting away from the hotel business he entered the employ of Woodbury & Purinton where he remained for many years, retiring about twenty-three years ago. After his retirement he carried on market gardening until about three years ago, doing all the work in the large garden without help.

He was a remarkably well preserved man until his operation in September, retaining his faculties to a marked degree.

He was united in marriage in 1871 to Miss Emma Caroline Woodbury, daughter of Ebenezer W. and Sally Kimball Woodbury, who survives him, together with one son, Walter S. Chandler of South Paris, and two daughters, Mrs. Marion A. Bunting of Seattle, Wash., and Mrs. Emma F. Chandler of Auburn. There are also several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon in Garland Memorial Chapel, conducted by Rev. S. T. Achenbach, pastor of the Congregational Church, of which Mr. Chandler had been a member for nearly sixty years. Burial was at Woodlawn cemetery.

MEMORIES

There were a few among those who bade farewell to Mr. Francis Chandler in Garland Chapel last week, who remembered him in his prime. More, who knew him as an elderly man, and finally, as one who bore the years of old age with wonderful strength and poise. As the last look was tenderly given one could but ask what "secret of life" he possessed that left no impress of old age upon that peaceful face.

Many years ago, the truly great revivalist, E. P. Hammond, with his developed spirituality, brought new life to many souls in our community. Mr. Chandler was one of those who listened to the gentle call, and from that time by a most consistent life, acknowledged the Christ as his Master. The Church was Christ's Cause and, faithfully by example and influence he always showed himself ready for its service, and a recognition of its value.

Some years spent in New York added a breadth of vision to a naturally receptive nature, which took in large things and he became a passionate patriot. The welfare of our country was a vividly felt anxiety. Up to his very latest years he constantly read the events of the day; forming his judgments as to the merits of characters who governed our country's welfare; deploring mistakes, warning, above all, acts of corruption, and rejoicing in all worthy, high-minded, and statesmanlike conduct on the part of those at the head of our government. His perfect union of thought and sympathy over great issues with his widely read wife, was most interesting to witness. The Church and State were constant realities to that home.

His devotion to his family can only be known by those who knew what the husband and father was through years of illness that sapped the wife and mother of her physical strength. The debt of love has been tenderly exacted by a never failing remembrance of what he had been to his own.

Wife, children and grandchildren visited his heart that at the last, when the eager spirit was mastered by the failing brain, his one plaintive longing was for "Home."

And gave him a great gift, his wife, a nature that trusted, believed, loved,

OXFORD COUNTY BOYS AND GIRLS AT STATE CONTEST

Boys and girls, members of agricultural and home economics clubs in Oxford County placed their county in a leading position in Maine club work by the showing they made at the Eleventh Annual State Contest held at the College of Agriculture, January 1 and 2. At that time two state championships were won by Oxford County club members in addition to several other prizes and honors.

Merton Parsons of South Paris was awarded the State championship in potato growing and at the same time won first place in the potato judging contest. Merton has always been a leader in potato growing in Oxford having won the County championship in both 1923 and 1924, but this is the first time he has been awarded State honors.

Ronald Keady of Bethel carried away the honors in poultry management. Like Merton he has been a leader in his project for the last two years in the county and received State championship this year for the first time.

Virginia Davis of Rumford was one of the principal speakers at the annual banquet held in Balentine Hall, Friday night. She spoke on the Achievements of the Rumford Club. In addition Virginia carried away fifth prize in the canning project. Lawrence Powers of South Paris received fifth prize in both cooking and housekeeping and sewing, while Verne E. Knightly of Norway was awarded third prize in the garden project. Freeland Clark of Bethel placed fourth in the pig project.

PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

The Parent-Teacher meeting held Monday evening was enjoyed by about fifteen members, with the following program:

Singing of America with Dorothy Goodnow at the piano.

Paper on the "Grade Teacher" from "Uncle Danny and His Neighbors," by Mrs. R. R. Tibbets.

Mr. Easternhouse spoke on the "Need of Education for the Present Day." He dwelt on three subjects, spiritual, physical and mental education.

"Miss Lenfest" rendered a solo, "Abraham," accompanied by Virginia Lee. Piano solo, Marie Chapman.

Reports and discussions of hot lunches were in order. Mrs. Ernest Bissbee was appointed to take charge of the matter.

The matter of an addition to the brick schoolhouse was put before the Association. At the next meeting something definite will be reported.

PARISH SUPPER

About a hundred of the people of the Congregational Church and Parish enjoyed the annual get-together and roll call in the church dining room on Tuesday evening, Jan. 13, with supper at 6.30. The reports of the various departments of service were heard with keen interest and pleasure, because they optimism and the evident progress which they showed. These reports and the spirit of fellowship created by the responses to the roll call, combined with a splendid and well-served supper, to make those present hope for many such occasions.

—and all the way his buoyant soul rose above earth's trials, and he "lived an earthly life in a heavenly way." He shared with the Master a trust in a Creator who was also a tender Father, and felt himself as heir with Christ. He believed in a wonderful future of great possibilities for the human soul after death. He was ever hopeful, and never indifferent to any one or any good cause.

In an earnest conversation, before his years became too heavy, he told the writer that he felt life to be a gift, that his privileges had been many, that he was wholly satisfied with what had been given him to enjoy, and that he had no thought of ingratitude in his heart. He extended no least bitterness toward any living soul, and felt he had won an enemy in the world.

During this long conversation, the writer was deeply impressed, as often before, by his really eloquent speech, and a comely manner which always bore the mark of sweet deference and respect for others, a certain dignity which brought to mind the apostrophe "A Christian is always a gentleman."

We cannot mean; but we shall all miss him. He knew how to be a friend, and Christian fellowship was more than a name to him. This village is the better for his life among us; and whose voice was always for what that asks of his sons, "Justice and Mercy."

M. T. O.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. Merle Swan was home from his work at Berlin, N. H., for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hopkins (Miss Eunice Smith) are rejoicing over the birth of a son, Saturday.

Mr. E. M. Walker left Tuesday for St. Petersburg, Fla., where he will spend the remainder of the winter.

Mr. Frank Merrill has gone to South Arm, Andover, where he has employment with Marshall Hastings.

Mr. A. J. Peaslee had the misfortune to get sawdust into his eye requiring the services of a physician to remove it.

Messrs. Thomas Brown, Percy Flint, E. P. Lyon and E. M. Walker attended the Sarsine meeting at Lewiston, Friday.

Mr. William B. Daye of Arrowse, Me., a retired locomotive engineer, is visiting his son, Philip Daye, and family.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Daye, who has been very sick with a bad cold and an abscess in his ear, is much better.

Mr. Wesley Wheeler had the misfortune to injure one of his fingers quite badly at the Bethel Grain Co. store the first of the week.

Mrs. Amy Lyon of Rumford and Miss Elsie Bartlett of Kensington, N. H., were in town last week to attend the funeral of their father, Edson Bartlett.

Messrs. I. L. Carver and H. A. Lyon have been drawn as members of the traverse jury at the February term of court. Herman Mason will serve on the grand jury.

Deputy Sheriff Bennett has decided to make his headquarters at Bethel. He will be located in the Charles Bean house on the corner of Railroad and Mechanic Streets.

Messrs. E. A. Barker and D. M. Forbes were in South Paris, Thursday evening to install the officers of Mt. Miss Lodge, I. O. O. F. They also installed the officers of Norway Lodge at Norway, Tuesday evening.

Representative Frank A. Brown went to Augusta last week to attend the session of the Maine Legislature. He was assigned to seat No. 13 in the House. Mr. Brown will be home over the week end to attend his duties as selectman of the town.

Mrs. S. T. Achenbach entertained the Ladies' Club, Jan. 8. Mrs. H. H. Hastings read an excellent character sketch on Robert Louis Stevenson, and Mrs. Lauretta Valentine one on Dorothy Dix. Mrs. Melissa Tuell gave a very fine reading pertaining to Child Welfare that was much enjoyed and appreciated.

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IMPORTANT REAL ESTATE DEAL AT CANTON

An important real estate deal was completed last week when Pinewood Camp, Inc., of Canton purchased Lakefield Camp. This camp was built about one year ago and is situated near Acamaguntic Lake, a short distance from Pinewood Camp. It will be considerably enlarged the coming spring and will be equipped with new furnishings, etc. The management plan to make this as Pinewood and Lakefield. It is hoped that this camp will take care of the large overflow of guests from the Pinewood Camps.

MRS. R. E. L. FARWELL

The death of Mrs. R. E. L. Farwell, aged 77 years, occurred at her home on Spring Street, Saturday morning, after a few days illness. Although she had been in poor health for some time she was able to keep about the house until almost the last.

Mrs. Farwell was born in Albany and was the daughter of Joseph and Rebecca Kendall. About forty years ago she was married to R. E. L. Farwell of Bethel, since which time she has been a resident of this village.

She was a member of the Woman's Relief Corps and the Grange, in which she was a very earnest worker.

She is survived by an adopted daughter, Mrs. Ethel Prince, of Kittery, one nephew, Frank Kendall of this town; two sisters, Mrs. Wentworth, who has been caring for her, and Mrs. Needham of Pennsylvania.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist Church, conducted by Rev. Mr. Pearson of Norway.

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

PEANUTS

The United States Government has brought suit to dissolve the National Peanut Cleaners and Shellers Association, whose annual gross sales are estimated at \$36,000,000. Practically all of the members of this Association are engaged in the peanut business in Virginia and North Carolina. Whether they are to blame for it or not the writer does not know, but he states it as a fact that the five-cent bag of roasted peanuts has shrunk miserably within the last ten years. But then so has everything else. Eight years ago Captain Thomas B. Rowland of Norfolk, Virginia, said to the writer of this article: "I am neither as old as Methuselah, nor as young as a Spring chicken, and my memory is a little hazy regarding some of the early adventures we had in introducing the peanut." Captain Rowland was 90, and he has since died. In that interview noted above, he related a story about the conquest of New York by the Virginia peanut. The New Yorkers did not know what peanuts were in the early seventies. Captain Rowland had a couple of bags loaded with "goosier peas" in New York harbor, and was on the verge of bankruptcy when he chanced to run upon an Italian, who was selling his wares upon the streets of New York. Rowland taught him how to yell "hot roasted peanuts." The strange words and the pleasant odor of the peanuts interested lower New York, and in a week the Rowland shipment was consumed. The peanut market was made. It grew and prospered.

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BETHEL SCHOOLS

For some time good friends of the town have expressed a high interest in the condition of the play grounds for our school children. The addition of a play room to the Brick building has been advocated very strongly. While this should not take the place of the out of doors, there are times when it would be very desirable for the children to have a chance to play protected from the elements.

It is a good time to consider this topic along with the most pressing questions about school conditions that confronts the community today.

In the Brick building are 180 pupils, enough to demand the services of six regular teachers in as many school rooms. As every one knows, we have only four rooms, four regular teachers and one assistant teacher who puts in our time as best she can without a room of her own.

In keeping out the five-year-olds the primary school has been able to do much better work so that there is less retardation and there are fewer in the class. Yet, now there are sixty-six children in the first primary, forty-five in the second primary, fifty in the later primary and thirty in the grammar school.

Such crowded conditions are unfavorable for good work and also for the health of the children, the most important consideration of all.

Shall these conditions continue, or shall some remedy be sought? The superintending school committee realizes the seriousness of the situation and are considering what can best be done. We hope the whole community is also thinking about the question to aid in its solution.

GRANGE NEWS

MOUNTAIN VIEW GRANGE

Mountain View Grange held their installation of officers at the hall last Tuesday evening. The work was done to a very pleasing and impressive manner by C. C. Richardson, assisted by Elizabeth Richardson. The following officers were installed:

Master—Angus Foster.
Overseer—Herbert Wheeler.
Inspector—Eunice Heath.
Steward—Clifford Cole.
Assistant Steward—Roxane Swan.
Chaplain—Celia Wright.
Treasurer—A. T. Heath.
Secretary—Gentry Wilson.
Gate Keeper—F. D. Goodnow.
Purser—Mae Wheeler.
Pomona—Eva Derogis.
Flora—Rene Atchberger.
L. A. Stewart—Nora Goodnow.
Pamlet—Vera Fawcett.

There was a good attendance and all the officers were present to be installed. There were five visitors present from Pleasant Valley Grange of West Bethel. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake, doughnuts and coffee were served. It was voted to send the Lecturer to the Lecturers' Conference at Waterville, Jan. 22-24. There were three applications for membership received.

LOCAL INSTALLATIONS

BROWN RELIEF CORPS

A goodly number of the friends of Brown W. R. C. No. 36, gathered at I. O. O. F. Hall on the evening of Jan. 8th, to witness the work of installation of officers as performed by Mrs. Alice B. Jordan, assisted by Mrs. Eva Hastings as conductor for the evening.

Mrs. Jordan's work showed plainly that she had had much experience in that line. At the close of her work she was presented with a picture.

After a few words by the new President, the retiring Patriotic Instructor, presented a short but pleasing musical program consisting of piano solos by Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Russell, vocal solos by Mrs. Achenbach and Dorothy Edwards, and a duet by Mrs. Achenbach and Mrs. Edwards.

The officers for the ensuing year are: President—Mrs. Lottie Imman.
Sen. Vice—Mrs. Ava Austin.
Jun. Vice—Mrs. Alice Littlehale.
Treasurer—Mrs. Eva Hastings.
Secretary—Mrs. Constance Wheeler.
Chaplain—Mrs. Nellie Davis.
Con.—Mrs. Grace Glines.
Asst. Con.—Mrs. Hester Sanborn.
Guard—Mrs. Lottie Bartlett.
Asst. Guard—Mrs. Mary Clark.
Pat. Inst.—Mrs. Ella Copeland.
Press Cor.—Miss Alice Willis.
C. B. No. 1—Mrs. Gertrude Boyker.
C. B. No. 2—Miss Sula Plalsted.
C. B. No. 3—Mrs. Helen Baker.
C. B. No. 4—Miss Dorris Frost.
Mrs. Mrs. Hazel Johnson.

REBEKAHS AND ODD FELLOWS HOLD JOINT INSTALLATION

Sunset Rebekah Lodge, No. 64, and Mt. Abram Lodge, No. 31, I. O. O. F., held a joint installation at Odd Fellows Hall, Monday evening. Mrs. F. E. Russell acted as pianist for both installations. A large number of guests were present to witness the work.

The officers of Sunset Rebekah Lodge were installed in a very pleasing manner by D. D. P. Mrs. Phila Mayhew, assisted by D. D. G. M. Mrs. Mildred Mayhew of West Paris. Immediately following the installation of the Rebekah officers the officers of Mt. Abram Lodge were installed by D. D. G. M. E. A. Barker, assisted by D. D. G. M. D. M. Forbes. After the installation a short program was given consisting of a piano duet by Miss Dorris Frost and Miss Dorothy Edwards, piano solo by Mrs. E. Russell, reading by Miss Carrie Wright, and a piano solo by Miss Dorris Frost. An oyster stew and pastry supper was served at the close of the program.

The officers of Sunset Rebekah Lodge for the coming year are: N. G.—Mrs. Lilla Morgan.
V. G.—Mrs. Alice Littlehale.
Rec. Sec.—Mrs. Anna French.
Fin. Sec.—Miss Ida Packard.
Treasurer—Miss Cleo Russell.
Warden—Miss Sula Plalsted.
Conductor—Mrs. Ethel Bissbee.
R. S. N. G.—Mrs. Catherine Barker.
L. S. N. G.—Mrs. Hattie Hall.
R. S. V. G.—Mrs. Gertrude Boyker.
L. S. V. G.—Mrs. Bernice Heath.
Chaplain—Mrs. Mary Achenbach.
I. G.—Miss Dorris Frost.
O. G.—Jasper Cates.

The officers of Mt. Abram Lodge for the coming year are: N. G.—Lella H. Coburn.
V. G.—Albert Silver.
Secretary—Arthur C. Drink.
Treasurer—Clarence K. Fox.
Warden—Albert H. Gibbs.
Conductor—Herman Mason.
R. S. N. G.—D. M. Forbes.
L. S. N. G.—A. C. Frost.
R. S. V. G.—W. F. Clark.
L. S. V. G.—C. O. DeMerritt.
R. S. S.—Albert Heath.
L. S. S.—Fred Douglass.
Chaplain—F. E. Russell.
I. G.—Jasper Cates.
O. G.—R. W. Kimball.

ATTENTION, AUTOMOBILE DRIVERS

School is now in session and the school children are using High Street for a riding place. This is an exceedingly dangerous place and all automobile drivers are urged to use extreme care when traveling on High or Elm Streets. A better way to avoid any accident at this place would be to detour around it.

NOTICE

The program for the Consett Hall at Grange Hall, Friday evening, Jan. 16: Old and New Dances, Basketball score announced, prize draw, Refreshments, Paraphrase, Eldredge and Mortenson, all featuring "Gus" Lothrop of Lewiston. Can you beat it, or afford to miss it?

Game and Music Underneath played right at 10 M. STEARNS.

PASSING OF A CIVIL WAR VETERAN

In memory of Henry Edson Bartlett, who passed to a Higher Life at the home of his son, Walter E. Bartlett, on Jan. 8, after a severe illness of about two months. While his many friends in the home neighborhood were aware of his illness they were not prepared for his sudden death and a sad gloom prevails.

Mr. Bartlett was born April 12, 1847, the son of Henry Russell and Sophronia G. Bartlett. In his early manhood he worked in Massachusetts. While there, and in the year of 1873 he was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Coburn of Lowell, Mass., and returned to his native land, making their home at East Bethel where they have since resided. April 10, 1921, occurred the death of his loved companion, when he made his home with his son, Walter E. Bartlett, at Bethel village.

Mr. Bartlett was an honored, true and respected citizen of Bethel. He was a veteran of the Civil War, a member of the Grand Army Post, a member of the Knights of Pythias and a charter member of Alder River Grange. True and loyal to all, he stood firmly for all things good. A true friend to all his many friends; in heart he never grew old; a marked characteristic was his love of life, his love of "all the folks," especially did he love childhood and youth, and did not forget them as they grew old. All his young friends were a joy and comfort to him; in playful jest and merry humor he happily greeted them all. Deep down in his heart he kept all sorrow and sadness, ever looking on the brightness of life.

Saturday afternoon, Jan. 10, funeral services were held at the home church, East Bethel, Rev. C. B. Oliver officiating, conducted by S. S. Greenleaf. The Knights of Pythias, of which he was an honored member, attended in a body and held their impressive committal ceremonies.

Three daughters and one son are left to mourn a loving father. They are Walter E. of Bethel, Miss Elsie, a teacher in Vermont, and Mrs. Blanch Gaw of Massachusetts and Mrs. Amy Lyon of Rumford, also six grandchildren. Young friends kindly bid him to rest in the East Bethel cemetery. Bearers were Wm. E. and Robert D. Hastings, Urban and Willis Bartlett.

Many beautiful floral tributes, silent messengers of love, reverence and respect were in profusion, among them being:

Spray of carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Bartlett and family.
Spray of carnations, Miss Elsie Bartlett.

Pillow (Father and Grandfather), Mr. and Mrs. David Gaw and family.
Spray of narcissus, Mrs. Herbert P. Lyon.

Spray of carnations, Mary, Emily, Herbert and Henry Lyon.
Wreath (K. of P.), Oxford Bear Lodge, K. of P.

Spray of carnations, Alder River Grange.
Spray of carnations, Woman's Relief Corps.

Spray of carnations, Dr. J. Joseph McGreevy.
Bouquet of carnations, Levi N. Bartlett.

Spray carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Decker.
Spray of narcissus, Mrs. W. D. Mills and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mills.

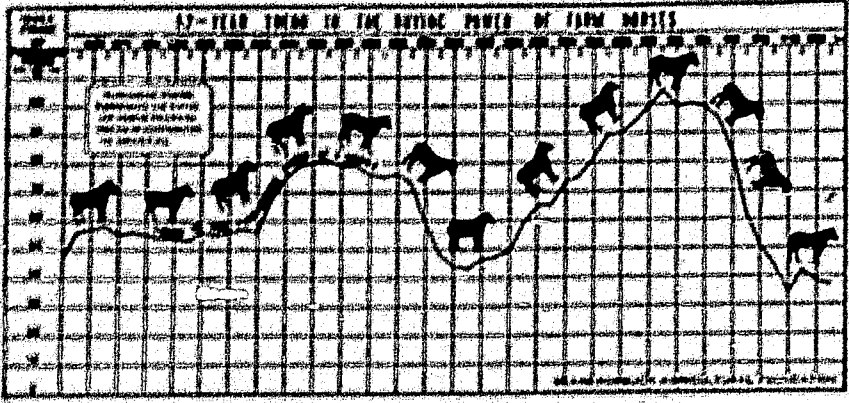
GOULD ACADEMY NOTES

The girl reserves of Gould Academy repeated the Christmas play, "Why the Chimes Rang," at a union service of the churches of Bethel in the William Bingham Gymnasium, Sunday evening, Jan. 11th. Each church provided sections from its own Christmas program. A large and appreciative audience attended. The offering which was taken was given to the Girl Reserves.

There will be two games of basketball in the William Bingham Gymnasium, Friday evening, Jan. 16th. The girls and boys teams of the Norway High School will play the girls and boys teams of Gould Academy. The boys have been traveling along at a fast clip until last week when they were tripped up by the East Bethel, N. H. team. They mean to turn the tables on the Norway team this week and a fast game is expected.

The new dormitory is nearing completion and will soon be ready for occupancy. The rooms on the third floor are completely finished and work is being done on the first floor. The huge clock tower is completed and is all ready for the four faced clock, which will be installed soon. Every one is anxious for the completion of the building and waiting impatiently for the formal opening.

Horse Markets Coming Back

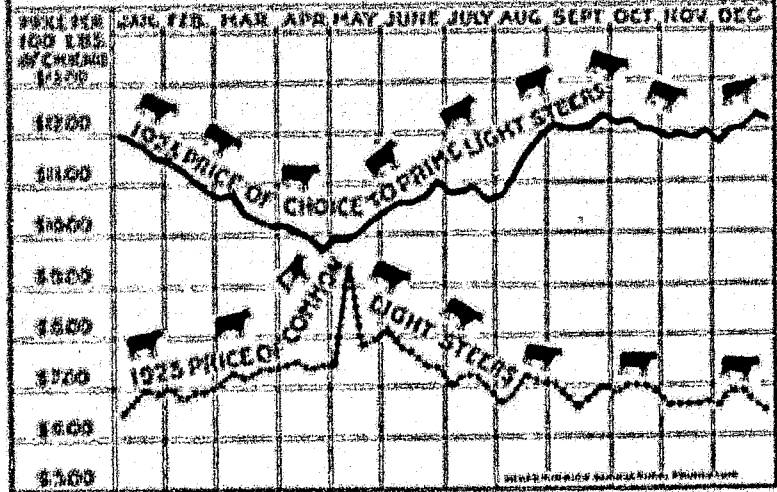


Horse markets are coming back. As both farm and city are demanding more and better horses, better prices may ultimately result, according to the Near-Horse Agricultural Foundation based on a study of the trend in the buying power of farm horses during the past 57 years.

Low prices probably will continue to discourage horse and mule production and cause a falling off in the equine population until average prices return, the Foundation believes. But already horse breeding operations have begun to expand in the districts possessing the kind of foundation stock capable of producing the sort of horse the market wants. Attractive prices are now being paid for all good, big sound shapely drafters coming to market and good horses of the wagon type weighing 1,400 to 1,600 pounds. Prices have advanced from the extreme depression of two years ago.

How soon the turning point will be reached on the rank and file of horses is uncertain. Previous cycles of horse and mule prices as shown by the accompanying chart have varied in length. The first lasted eleven years from depression to depression, the second sixteen years and the present cycle is already twenty-seven years. It seems logical to believe that an upward turn in prices which will last for a decade or longer will start before long and that good horses and mules produced from matings in the next few years will get the benefit of that advance by the time they reach marketable age. Good horses are the exception on farms today. It is unthinkable that good farmers will be content with plugs for long.

IT PAYS TO MARKET BEEF OF QUALITY

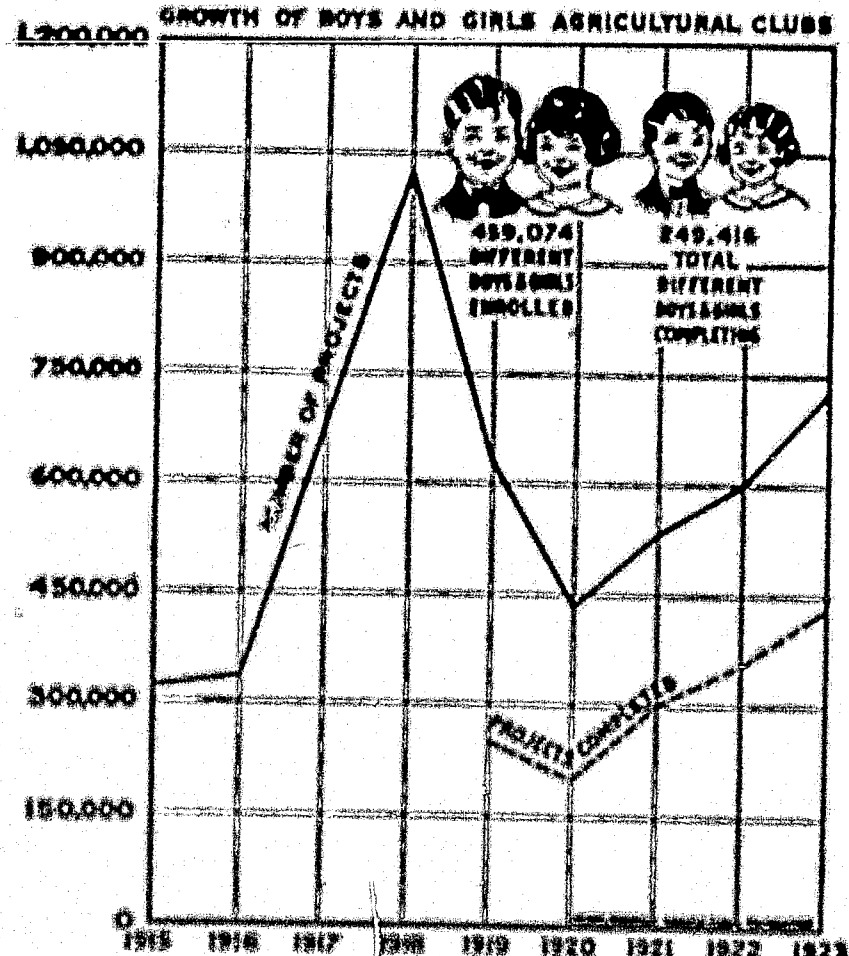


It is condition and quality rather than weight that decide whether a steer is to be placed in the beef cattle classification. Within the class it is condition and quality that largely determine the amount of profit that goes to the shipper. Choice to prime steers bring from 15 cents to \$3.75 per hundredweight over the common light stock, according to a study made of light-weight steers coming to the Chicago market by the Near-Horse Agricultural Foundation.

The bulk of the shipments are classified under the grades of prime steers, 2,500 to 3,000 pounds; choice steers, 1,500 to 2,500 pounds; good steers, 1,100 to 1,500 pounds; medium steers, 1,100 to 1,500 pounds; and common rough steers, 800 to 1,200 pounds. These are the classifications of the United States Bureau of Markets.

Prime beef steers are the ideal type, combining exceptional breeding and thorough finishing. Short neck and short legs, smooth flesh and well-filled, bulging bellies are prerequisites. Prime beef steers are rare, even steers good enough to grade as choice are few. They show most of the characteristics of the prime grade, good breeding and long feeding, smooth flesh and thick fat. On the back the quality steer will show a good proportion of red meat covered with a modest amount of smooth white fat. The lean, while firm of texture, will be mellow to the touch. The carcass should carry down full to the back, being lightly marked with bright lean of a fine grain.

Junior Farmers Need Club Leaders



That such progress may be continued depends to a large extent on the boys and girls of the nation who desire to learn on farms and become the backbone of American agriculture. It is shown in a survey of the club work of the Near-Horse Agricultural Foundation that completed by Benjamin A. Lawrence, director of the boys and girls club work of the Near-Horse Agricultural Foundation.

According to the report of the Foundation, based on a survey of the club work of agriculture, 22,924 projects were begun in 1923 by 4,567 boys and girls, a number which is less than a year ago. The survey shows that the number of club members has increased from 1,000 in 1915 to 1,500 in 1923. The report also indicates that 45 per cent of the club members have completed their projects, while only 35 per cent of the boys completed theirs. The high point reached in 1918, as shown by the accompanying chart, was due to the excitement of club work in connection with the slogan of the day: "Feed our men in the war." After the crisis was over there was a corresponding drop in club work.

"Many of the 4,567 boys and girls engaged in club work hope to leave the farm," said Lawrence. "But 50 per cent of them will remain in the country, experience has shown. All who stay on the farm should have the benefit of the organization and training club work affords. If we are to provide this for the younger farmers of the nation, we must steadily increase the number of clubs by club leaders."

ARE YOU RHEUMATIC?

Many Pangs That Pass for Rheumatism Are Really Due to Weak Kidneys

Do you suffer the agonizing pangs of rheumatism? Are you tortured with rheumatic joints and stabbing twinges? Then you should know that many so-called rheumatic troubles are due to an excess of uric acid and must be treated through the kidneys. When the kidneys weaken, the whole system is upset by these body poisons. Help your kidneys with a stimulant diuretic. Use Doan's Pills, the remedy your neighbors recommend! Here is a Bethel man's case:

"B. J. Hazelton, Chapman St., says: 'I had a severe spell of rheumatic trouble and my kidneys showed signs of disorder. My left leg was drawn up and painful and backache annoyed me considerably. Doan's Pills were advised so I went to Bonserman's Drug Store and got three boxes. When I had finished taking Doan's, I was relieved.'"

Mr. Hazelton is only one of many Bethel people who have gratefully endorsed Doan's Pills. If your back aches—if your kidneys bother you, don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for DOAN'S PILLS, the same that Mr. Hazelton had—the remedy backed by home testimony. 60 cents at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y. "When Your Back Is Lame—Remember the Name." adv

BETHEL AND VICINITY

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Mrs. Theodore Asenault is visiting in Portland.

Mrs. Lloyd Luxton and Frank Hunt were in Mason, Sunday.

Miss Dorothy Hutchins was in New York, Friday.

Mrs. Harry Stein was in Lewiston one day recently.

Mr. C. E. Tidwell was in West Paris on business last week.

Miss Shirley Brooks spent a few days in Portland, recently.

Dr. and Mrs. Eugene McFarley of Bangor were in town, Sunday.

About three inches of snow fell Monday night and Tuesday forenoon.

Mrs. Kathryn Davis has been quite sick, but is better at this writing.

Mr. Lynn Bennett has gone to Brownville, Me., where he has employment.

Miss Alfreda Wheeler has returned to her school duties in Springfield, Mass.

Mrs. F. E. Deane, who has been very ill with asthma, is much better.

Dy. R. R. Tibbets was confined to his home several days last week by ill ness.

Miss Melba Blake was a Sunday guest of her cousin, Mrs. Leroy Andrews, and family.

Mrs. William Boarden is the guest of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert.

Gauze and Muslin Underwear priced right at L. M. STEARNS.

Miss Mildred Hunt of Norway is the guest of her brother, Mr. Frank Hunt, and family.

Mrs. Gertrude B. Haggood was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lord of South Paris.

Mrs. Nelson Grover and Harry Churchill have been harvesting ice from Mingo Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Andrews are staying with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Iowan for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Greenleaf are celebrating their 40th anniversary on the birth of a son Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. Galt are celebrating their 40th anniversary on the birth of a daughter Friday.

Mrs. Alice Edwards of Portland was in town, Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Mary Farrell.

WEST PARIS

The officers of West Paris Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 15, were installed Jan. 3 by J. D. M. Edna Barker, assisted by David Perkins, D. D. G. Marshall.

N. G.—Lewis Bates. V. G.—Kendall Herrick.

Sec. Sec.—R. R. Corbin. Fin. Sec.—R. M. Richardson.

Treasurer—L. H. Borden. Warden—Albert Smith.

Conductor—Arthur Dunn. R. S. N. G.—L. J. Jackson.

L. S. N. G.—P. S. Parris. Chaplain—W. S. King.

R. S. N. G.—Harold MacLean. L. S. N. G.—H. E. Allen.

R. S. N. G.—H. E. Allen.

L. S. N. G.—C. T. Buck. O. G.—Milton Pierce. I. G.—W. G. Lane.

Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Stover entertained a company of their church young people, recently.

Mrs. Abner Mann went to St. Barnabas Hospital, Wednesday, for treatment and possibly a surgical operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl LaBay and twin sons, with their nurse, Mrs. Elsie Barrows, went to their home at So. Paris, Thursday after several weeks' visit with Mrs. LaBay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Barden. The babies were taken to Portland last week to see their physician, Dr. Webster, who considered them doing finely.

The officers of Onward Rebekah Lodge were installed Tuesday evening of last week by District Deputy President, Phila Mayhew, with Marion Mayhew as Grand Marshal.

N. G.—Lisbeth Penley. V. G.—Edith Farr.

Sec. Sec.—Elva Ring. Fin. Sec.—Mildred Davis.

Treasurer—Marjorie Hill. Conductor—Emma Hollis.

Warden—Lorna Berry. Chaplain—Minnie Day.

R. S. N. G.—Winnie Ridlen. L. S. N. G.—Ida Rowe.

R. S. V. G.—Lillian Doughty. L. S. V. G.—Eva Tucker.

I. G.—Ethel Penley. O. G.—Annie Herrick.

Miss Mabel Bicker was the guest of Mrs. George D. Robertson at South Paris, Friday.

There will be a special meeting of the Universalist Parish, Friday, Jan. 16, at 7.15. A special invitation is extended to every member to attend as matters of vital importance are to come before that meeting. Rev. Stanley Manning of Augusta, State Superintendent, will be present and all will be glad to hear the helpful message which he always brings. At six o'clock a supper will be served in Good Will Hall, and every member is expected to attend and bring their family if they desire to do so.

George Devine continues to fail, much to the regret of his many friends.

Alvin Lovejoy, one of the oldest citizens of the village, is improving from his recent illness.

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Norway, Maine

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Some with fur collars, others plain, sizes 2 up to 14 years—all reduced. Coats \$3.95 and up.

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Some exceptionally good color combinations in tailored styles to choose from, sizes up to 44. Reduced to \$7.95, \$11.95, \$14.95.

Throughout the Store

You will find many exceptional values—winter goods reduced to clean stock and make ready for the new goods coming.

Use Our Mail Service

If you find it hard to get to the store during the winter, telephone 92-11 if you are in a hurry. Every order goes out on the next mail, postage prepaid.

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By ANNE O'HARE

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By R. B. STOECKER

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Now, Here Is the Real Native American Way of Slings Language

By ANNE O'HARE MCCORMICK, in New York Times.

A pessimist in these large lands is a man who says that the Northwest has suffered enough hard knocks to prostrate any country that is not the Northwest. The optimist is he who contends that what are called bad times out here would be good times anywhere else in the world.

"The trouble with you Easterners," expostulates a twinkling Dakota editor, "is that you have imported the un-American habit of qualification. You cultivate a niggardly precision in the use of language. Out here we throw it about as generously as dollars, when we have 'em. That's the reason your reporters don't get us right. They don't appreciate that when we have hard times we don't really enjoy 'em unless they're the 'most desperate times that ever were."

"That's the real native American way of slings language. What's a man who plows up forty sections for wheat and can't see a field smaller than a hundred acres to do with piddling adjectives of an English market gardener?"

Our Critical Faculties Laying Aside Foreign Swaddling Clothes

By FRANK K. REHN, in Art News (New York).

Our critical faculties are laying aside their foreign swaddling clothes and functioning for themselves. Along with this has come a change in the picture-buying public. It is a public today, and not as a few years ago a small group of sometimes rather timid and conventionally minded collectors. Now Mr. and Mrs. Average Citizen are taking an interest, and a buying interest, in art.

So-called modern art has been a big factor in this change. It has shocked people into convictions—shaken others out of ruts—and largely dissipated the humble "of-course-I-know-nothing-about-art attitude," as though art was a thing apart from life and not a matter of emotion, perception and reaction like all the rest of existence.

Modern art, so called—for very little of it is modern, and a great deal of it is not art—has been a very real nightmare from which a few gleams of a new beauty will remain with us when all the bombast and buncombe are forgotten.

"Gentlemen: For Years I Have Belonged to Grace Church in Ourtown"

By DR. LLOYD C. DOUGLAS, Congregational Clergyman.

What most unsuccessful churches need most just now is a large number of resignations from certain members, forwarded to the officers with this simple statement:

"Gentlemen: For many years I have belonged to Grace church in Ourtown. I have little to show for it. Belonging to it has not made me any kinder, or more charitable, or more lovely of character. Less, if anything. Doubtless this is my own fault. I have gone there on Sundays and have sung, 'I Love Thy Zion, Lord,' and then I have come back home to pick flaws with everything in it, from the color of the carpet and the length of the prayer to the soprano's hat and the squaky shoes of old Brother Goodenough, who takes up the collection. I have kicked about the expenses, fussed about the ventilation, complained about the preacher, and the snow on the steps, and the dirt in the basement, and the kind of hymn-book we use. I know I shall certainly lose my soul if I keep on at this gait. And I can't seem to stop it. I have been at it so long that it has become an obsession. I have tried to quit it, but the habit is too strong. I knock the church to my family, to the other members, to neighbors belonging to other churches. So I am getting out, for the sake of my own soul's salvation—to say nothing of the high benefit I know I am conferring upon Grace church by this resolution."

When All States Examine and License Drivers of Motor Vehicles

By R. B. STOECKEL, Connecticut Commissioner.

The time is not far distant when, for the protection of careful motorists and pedestrians, all states will license the drivers of motor vehicles upon examination as to the fitness and will revoke licenses upon violation of any of the rules by which it is held.

It is admitted common sense that the greatest variable factor in the whole problem of safe operation of motor vehicles is the ego, the personality, the individualism of the operator. A standard to measure this can, of course, never be exactly set. But at least tests of mentality and of proper driving experience can and should be efficiently applied before an operator is licensed, and those tests kept applicable through his whole driving period.

The license system provides the necessary machinery to accomplish this. Under it can be had examination of all operators before license is issued, and discipline and education of all operators while licensed. During the course of an examination all that class of persons who are by nature, disease, or habit unfitted to operate motor vehicles will be finally eliminated.

Anatole France's Isolated and Brilliant Position in French Literature

By PROF. J. P. WICKERSHAM-CRAWFORD, University of Pennsylvania.

Anatole France was the most illustrious representative of that generation which was brought up on the philosophy of Taine and the skepticism of Renan, and which in early manhood shared in the spiritual depression following upon the Franco-Prussian war. He was unable to adapt himself to the new spirit in France, which believes that purposeful energy can accomplish more than denial, and for this reason he occupied a position in contemporary French literature as isolated as it was brilliant.

At various times he revealed himself as a poet with exquisite perfection of form, a dilettante with ardent love for the literature of the past; an indulgent skeptic looking upon human frailty with indifference; a mystic naively evoking the poetry of primitive religions; a sentimental rationalist sapping the foundations of belief with a devout smile; a voluptuary; a keen critic of theological dogma; a bitter anticlerical and zealous supporter of the separation of church and state; a Socialist and eloquent champion of the rights of the people; a learned historian; a Rabelaisian short-story writer, and a scolder laughing with Mephistophelian mockery at all things, human and divine.

All agree that his style entitles him to rank as one of the most distinguished men of letters of the Nineteenth century. But there are many who believe that he is a "corrupter as well as an educator" and that his dissolvent philosophy is subversive of all progress.

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

(Continued from page 1)

And today the peanut industry is said to be a wicked trust.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

There is always a billion or so of money "needed" for the Army and Navy of the United States, but every time the House Rivers and Harbors committee reports out a bill for internal public improvement, a popular yell goes up through the country as a protest against the "pork barrel." The bill this year carried \$52,000,000, and it included a large sum for the New Orleans-Corpus Christi Intercoastal Canal, which has been approved by the Engineers of the War Department. An item in the bill provides for improvement of navigation between Galveston and Houston, Texas. The only objection to the project is the noise that has been made by those who rail against "pork." For many years internal improvements have been held up in the interests of so-called economy—this economy being a pure subterfuge. A large number of very meritorious public improvements in all parts of the country are dependent upon this particular legislation.

OLD ANTIDOTES

Prescriptions for curing the burdens of high taxes have been written in America ever since white men first planted their feet on Plymouth Rock. A half dozen years ago some of the big business interests arose to suggest, and later to urge, that a stop be put to the issuing of tax-exempt securities. Former President Harding became rather enthusiastic along these lines and took the matter before Congress, addressing the lawmakers upon the subject. Congressman Greene of Iowa, seized upon the issue, and for a number of sessions he has been introducing a proposition to submit a constitutional amendment to the different States to forbid further tax-exempt securities. But the lawmakers have been carefully examining the contents of the proposed antidote and in the course of several years they have reached certain definite conclusions. Among the most important of these is an understanding of the purposes back of the issuance of these tax-free securities. It is found that good roads, public school buildings, city and town halls, and water works and many utilities, over their existence very largely to bonds that have been floated to create them. Therefore lawmakers in the National and State capitals of the country have principal topic of late concerning foreign getting cold feet upon the proposed

to amend the constitution for the purpose of taxing public improvements.

THE TAX INVESTIGATION

The committee of the Senate that has been investigating tax evasion has been making remarkable progress. Secretary of the Treasury Mellon appeared before the committee and expressed the opinion that it was doing good work and that it should be continued. There is every probability that the Senate Committee will enlarge the scope of its usefulness and that it will request the House of Representatives to join with it in enlarging the membership of the investigators by creating a joint committee of both Houses of Congress. This joint committee of Congress, it is predicted, will continue the investigation of tax matters next Spring and Summer, and make an elaborate report to Congress at the session that begins in December.

There was a good deal of opposition to the Senate committee when it was created, but the personal differences between Secretary Mellon and Senator Coughlin, who heads the present committee, have apparently been ironed out with the result that the administration recognizes the fair spirit in which the Senate has approached the different problems affecting tax evasions. As a matter of fact no one is more anxious for economy and for a proper distribution of taxes than President Coolidge, and he has not been slow to recognize the possibilities of distributing more of the tax burden on shoulders that should properly bear it.

BORAH AND COOLIDGE

Senator Borah has become the principal United States Senator, because he has stepped into the shoes of the late Senator Lodge. Senator Lodge was a Republican "regular," but even at that he was out of tune with the administration regarding the conduct of foreign affairs. Senator Borah has always been rather "irregular," and he too is not in step with the President. The latter wants the United States to participate in another disarmament conference. Borah wants an economic conference. Ever since the war Borah has favored an international power that would talk over all of the differences that exist between nations. President Coolidge does not favor this plan. Not only are these two leaders rather far apart in their views as to what should be done, but the whole political organization of the nation seems to have lost its center, and is drifting in international seas. The principal topic of late concerning foreign matters surrounds the verbiage

that is to be used in asking the Europeans to pay their debts. The matter seems to be a great deal more complicated than it was in 1917 and 1918 when Liberty loans were put across to raise the money in a hurry.

POSTAL PAY

Politicians love a winner—and that is the simple reason why enough of them rallied to the support of the President to sustain his postal pay veto. In upholding the veto, the Senate merely yielded to the method which the President believed to be necessary to follow. He did not dispute the principle which increased the pay of postal employees. The President, did however, disagree with Congress in passing the measure because it voted \$65,000,000 without providing any way to raise the money. Now the President's way is to be followed and there is assurance that postal rates will be increased. The principal burden of postal increases seems to have been wished on to the publishers of the country.

THE CHILD LABOR AMENDMENT

Leading forces in politics, in both of the principal political parties, are using their strongest influences to secure the enactment of the Child Labor Amendment which hangs in the balance.

Insurance funds are perhaps the best and most helpful funds in the whole range of business and commercial activity.

GROVER HILL

Clyde Whitman is helping H. A. Lyson saw timber.

M. F. Tyler has been selling gray birch wood at Bethel.

End colds are prevalent in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Whitman gave a whist party Saturday evening and a fine time was enjoyed by all.

Gauze and Muslin Underwear priced right at L. M. STEARNS'.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Mundt went to Sunday River, Sunday, to visit Mr. Herbert Kendall, who has been in failing health for the past few months.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Wheeler and family have moved to their farm from South Paris and all are glad to welcome their return.

Almon Tyler is cutting birch, as is also Karl Stearns.

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Rudyard Kipling.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the friends, neighbors and relatives who so kindly helped to make the last days of our father pleasant by sending him post cards and in many other ways, also for the lovely floral offerings. We also thank Rev. G. H. Johnson for his words of comfort and the Knights of Pythias for their beautiful service.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Barrett and family.
Mr. and Mrs. David Case and family.
Mrs. Herbert P. Lyon and family.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the many friends for their kind and most commendable during our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Emma W. Chamberlain.
Mr. Walter Chamberlain and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Hering and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chamberlain and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Chamberlain.
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chamberlain.
Mrs. Mary Rogers.

World of production for 1925 is estimated at 1,440,000,000 bushels. This is against 1,400,000,000 bushels in 1924. The increase is due to the fact that the farmers have been more successful in their crops.

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CANTON

The funeral services of Miss Doris Burgess were held at the home Tuesday forenoon, Rev. Mr. Gould of Livermore Falls officiating. The floral offerings were very beautiful and included a lovely tribute from her high school mates. The bearers were four high school boys. A delegation of about 25 of her schoolmates attended the funeral. During the hour of the service impressive services were held at the high school room, which included remarks and appropriate music. Quite a number attended the funeral from out of town. The interment was at East Burial.

Mrs. Nathan B. Wells submitted to an operation for appendicitis last week and is doing nicely. Mrs. Ethel West is recovering.

Word has been received from the Misses Richardson, Smith and Patterson that they have arrived safely at South-ern Pines, N. C., and are pleasantly located and like very much.

Mrs. Susan Shockey has gone to Lynn, Mass., to make her home with her mother. She stood the journey well for one in her ninety-fourth year. Her many friends wish her continued health and happiness in her new home.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Oliver have gone to Hartford Centre for the winter. The installation of the officers of the Canton Branch of the B. F. W. O. F. was held Friday evening. The installing officers being: Mrs. Maud M. Brown, R. H. P., and Mrs. Charles Gordon, R. H. G. M., both of Livermore Falls. The new officers are:

N. G. Mrs. Julia Adams.
V. G. Mrs. Hilbert Worden.
Sec. Mrs. Fannie Lucas.
Fin. Sec. Mrs. Velda Hickok.
Treasurer Mrs. Alma Chamberlain.
Wardens—Mrs. Myrtle Davis.
Conductors—Mrs. Mauda White.
H. H. G. Mrs. Ella Gilbert.
L. H. G. Mrs. Caro Harding.
H. H. V. G. Mrs. Maud Richardson.
L. H. V. G. Mrs. Jessie Gilbert.
J. G. Mrs. Wilma Richardson.
O. G. Mrs. Sadie Hodge.
Chaplain—Mrs. Helen Eastman.

The installing officers were presented with nice gifts as was the retiring N. G. Mrs. Ethel Goding, all responding with thanks. An order and party supper followed, after which a half hour of chorus singing and sociability was enjoyed. Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Gordon were entertained while in town by Mrs. Ethel Goding.

A. L. Turrell and crew of men have filled two large ice houses connected with the Pinewood Camps the past week, and are now filling the D. Whitney Co. ice house at the cannery.

Mrs. Anna Bailey is visiting her sister, Mrs. Nancy Kinsley, of Gardiner. G. H. Johnson has been on a visit to Portland.

The annual meeting of the Fish and Game Association was held at Odd Fellows Hall, Monday evening and the following officers chosen:

President—H. W. Post.
Vice President—J. T. Landley.
Secretary—H. P. Richardson.
Treasurer—Donald Hensley.
Executive Committee—A. P. Hayford, G. H. Johnson, H. O. Hensley.

A steamed clam supper was enjoyed at the close.

The United Baptist church has elected officers as follows:

Clerk—C. E. Merrill.
Treasurer—E. C. Chamberlain.
Trustees—A. H. Brown, J. N. Faye, Ministry Committee—Mrs. Inez Faye, Mrs. Annie Tuck, Mrs. Lida Tyler.

Rev. of S. R. Allen Tyler.
Chaplain—Mrs. A. H. Brown.

The members of the girls basketball team held a party at the schoolhouse, Friday evening, which was much enjoyed. All kinds of games were played. Refreshments were served and toast given by several.

Both districts of the local Park League held their annual meeting at the Orange Hall, Thursday, and the following officers and committees chosen:

Community chairman—Mrs. Jennie Hubber.
Secretary—Mrs. Julia Adams.
Project Leaders:
Chaplain—Mrs. Oscar Hardy.
Food—Mrs. Hilbert Worden.
McBarnes—Mrs. Mary I. Turrell.
Household—Mrs. Isabel Gossens.
Publicity—Mrs. Ethel Davisport.
Miss G. Faye Page, Helen Humebrast.

Mr. P. Thomas, County Agent, H. P. Carter, expert on White Pine Water Birds, were present and gave helpful talks. Connected with this, showing the work done in the district for the past year.

Henry Kishan of West Paris will carry on the farm of J. T. Landley and has agreed to continue with his family will move here a little later.

Joseph Thayer, a respected and aged resident, passed away Sunday afternoon after a short illness with heart trouble and complications. He was about 81 years of age. Mr. Thayer and family moved to Canton from Farmington about ten years ago. He is one of the few remaining third war veterans in town. He is survived by a wife whose home was in Canton, and two sons, Albert Thayer, who has lived in the West and recently visited his father, and Willard, of Canton.

THE OFFICERS OF THE RELIEF CORPUS

were installed Tuesday by Mrs. Maud Richardson, assisted by Mrs. Myrtle Davis. The officers are:

President—Mrs. Hattie Dalley.
Vice Pres.—Mrs. Ellen Hutchison.
Secretary—Mrs. Alma Chamberlain.
Treasurer—Mrs. Helen Swasey.

Past President—Mrs. Flora Hodge.
Chaplain—Mrs. E. S. Oldham.
Cond.—Mrs. Lena Hall.
Guard—Mrs. Abbie Hines.

Pratinity—Mrs. Abbie Proctor.
Charity—Mrs. Addie Rose.
Loyalty—Mrs. Annie Towle.
Flag Girls—Miss Marjorie McLean and Mrs. Myrtle Davis.

Dinner was served at the noon hour. The installing officer was presented with a beautiful sterling silver bar pin. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Abbie Proctor.

Dr. G. H. Hamlin of Lewiston occupied the pulpit of the Baptist church, Sunday.

D. A. Freeman has been to Portland to consult a specialist. He will submit to an operation at the home of his sister, Mrs. Fred Bartlett, on Thursday.

Patsy Mongillo is recovering nicely from his operation.

A hockey game between the Rumpfords and Cantons was held Saturday at Canton school grounds, the Cantons winning by the score of 4 to 2.

Clara Grant of Columbia has been chosen to teach the Spring term of school in the Wyndham district.

ANDOVER

Mrs. Ellen Marie Learned, wife of Peter W. Learned, died Thursday afternoon, Jan. 8, after a lingering illness. She was nearly 76 years of age, and was born in Andover, the daughter of the late David and Sarah Morton Morse, and in early womanhood married Peter Learned. For many years they have lived at the village where Mrs. Learned has had an active part in the social life. Besides her husband she leaves two daughters, Mrs. George Kimball of Randolph Centre, and Flora Learned of this town, two sons, Webster Learned of Randolph and Henry Learned of Newbury. A son, Kylvanus, passed away in May, 1921. She is also survived by a brother, Frank Morse, of Denmark, Me., and two sisters, Mrs. Louise Learned of Andover and Mrs. Jane Lincoln of Manchester, N. H. She was a member of the King's Daughters, Ellis Union Temple Pythian Sisters, Lane Mountain Grange, and the Universalist Church. In all of these societies she took an active part when able and will be much missed in the town where she has lived so long. The funeral, which was largely attended, was held at the Universalist Church, Sunday afternoon, Rev. Allen Brown of Randolph conducting the services. The floral tributes were very beautiful. Ellis Union Temple Pythian Sisters performed their impressive service. Burial was in Woodlawn cemetery.

Mrs. Charles Roberts was the guest of Mrs. Alice Thurston, recently.

Dr. W. B. Somerville is visiting friends in Montreal this week.

Mrs. Grace Roberts is assisting in the care of Miss Jane Gregg.

Mrs. Emma Pratt, who has been the guest of her niece, Mrs. Frank Little, held for several days, returned to Andover this week.

At the annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the Congregational Church the following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. G. H. Andrews.
Vice Pres.—Mrs. E. E. Mills.
Sec. and Treas.—Mrs. C. A. Rand.

The high school was not in session Monday on account of repairs being made.

Miss Laura Newton and Miss Marie Elliott were in Randolph, Saturday.

Leslie and Marjorie Akers from Portland were in town, Sunday, to attend the funeral of their grandfather, Mrs. P. W. Learned.

At the annual meeting of the Andover Water Co., held at the residence of Frank P. Thomas, Tuesday evening, Jan. 8, H. M. Thomas was elected Clerk and Fred C. French, Clayton Barrett, C. A. Rand, E. P. Thomas and H. M. Thomas, directors. A dividend of 5 per cent was declared on outstanding stock. At the directors meeting held immediately afterwards these officers were elected:

President—Fred C. French.
Vice President—Frank P. Thomas.
Sec. and Treas.—H. M. Thomas.

Mrs. Lena Worthley has been quite ill the past week.

Mr. E. E. Johnson is at home from the Middleboro for a few days.

The Shooting Stars of Andover were again successful in defeating the Randolph Rumpfords to basketball by the close margin of 19 to 17. Two overtime periods were necessary to decide the winner. The game was full of thrills and good team work on both sides. The shooting of Ira Bodwell was a feature.

Census bureau statistics show that the Andover people in 1925 spent over \$1,000 a minute, or \$1,440,000 a day, for candy and ice cream.

Our country has two greatest dirt roads, the German Zepplin and the home made Shmashmash, with a thing on earth that either can be used for, just now, except war.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Spring Street

Sunday School at 10:00 A. M.

Sunday services at 10:45 A. M.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. B. T. Achenbach, Minister

Thursday, Jan. 15: All-day sewing meeting of the Ladies' Club with Mrs. Hanson.

Sunday, Jan. 18:

10:45: Service of worship. The pastor will speak on "Christian Living: Its Upkeep."

12:00: Session of the Church School.

7:00: Christian Endeavor hour. "The Trial of Miss A. Christian," will be presented under the direction of Miss Litchfield. An interesting hour is in store for those who attend.

Tuesday evening, Jan. 20:

6:45: Chorus rehearsal.

7:30: Pastor's talk III to the Forty Minute Club.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Jan. 18 is observed in the Universalist Church as Men's Sunday. A chorus of male voices will furnish the music for the service at 10:45. Rev. C. Eastonhouse will use for a subject for his sermon, "The Influence of the Church Upon Life." In this sermon the minister will try to answer the following questions:

Why go to Church?

Why support a Church?

Why join a Church?

The Sunday School will meet at 12.

The Y. P. C. U. meeting at 7:15 P. M. will be in charge of Miss Virginia Goodnow. There will be special music. The minister will talk for a few minutes on "Church Life in Holland." Light refreshments will be served.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Charles B. Oliver, Minister

Public service Sunday:

10:45 A. M. Divine worship and sermon.

12:00 M. Church School.

6:30 P. M. Epworth League.

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7:30 P. M. People's evening worship.

7:50 P. M. Tuesday: (Family worship.) Prayer meeting.

Next Thursday, Jan. 15, the Ladies' Aid will meet with Miss Alice Capen promptly at 2:30. She expects every chair in the house to be taken and all to help make worthy history for Bethel records.

Friday is the fifth birthday of National Prohibition.

Saturday evening the choir practice will be at Mr. Sherman Haselton's at 7:30 o'clock.

Sunday morning, Jan. 18, the minister will preach about Heaven and in the evening about Hell. Subject for the morning, "The Country We Seek." Text, Hebrews 11, 16. One day a man made the remark, "So and so is going to be in Heaven. I don't want to go there." Another said, "If I'm lucky enough—yes, if we all are—lucky enough to get into Heaven we will not be asked—certain questions."

The subject for the evening will be, "The Goliath of Hell." Text, I Samuel 17, 34.

Prayer meeting at 7:30 on Tuesday evening.

Sunday night at 6:30, Epworth League. Leader, Wendell Gibbs. Subject, "What New China Thinks and Does."

At the February Official Board meeting, the first Tuesday in the month, a Judge and two tellers will hold the election of a Lay Electoral Delegate and a Reserve Lay Electoral Delegate to represent the Bethel charge at the August Lay Electoral Conference of the Methodist Church. All lay members of the pastoral charge over twenty-one years of age may vote. See Par. 92 of Discipline.

BONGO POND

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Rich were callers at A. B. Kimball's and Charles Gorman's one day last week. They enjoyed seeing the men cutting ice and also enjoyed a lovely sleigh ride up the center of Bangs Pond. They were on their way to New York, coming from spending New Year's with relatives in Toronto, Canada.

Mr. Albert B. Kimball is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Russell and daughter, Adelaide, skied out to their cottage, Bangs Pond, Sunday.

Game and Mollie Underwood played right at L. M. STEPHENSON, and Albert Kimball has sent his two teams to North Waterford to buy birch for Winfield Brown. Albert Kimball and Urtane Underwood were gone to drive these. They will be back at John McAllister's.

Edw. B. Harwick, in stopping a few days with his cousin, A. B. Kimball.

Mrs. E. O. Denison was a guest of Mrs. Ora Rogers last Saturday.

The turpentine and resin output for 1925 was 134,716,745, and for 1924 only 121,424,245. Part of this increase was due to improved methods of turpentine tapping, introduced by U. S. Forest Products Laboratory.

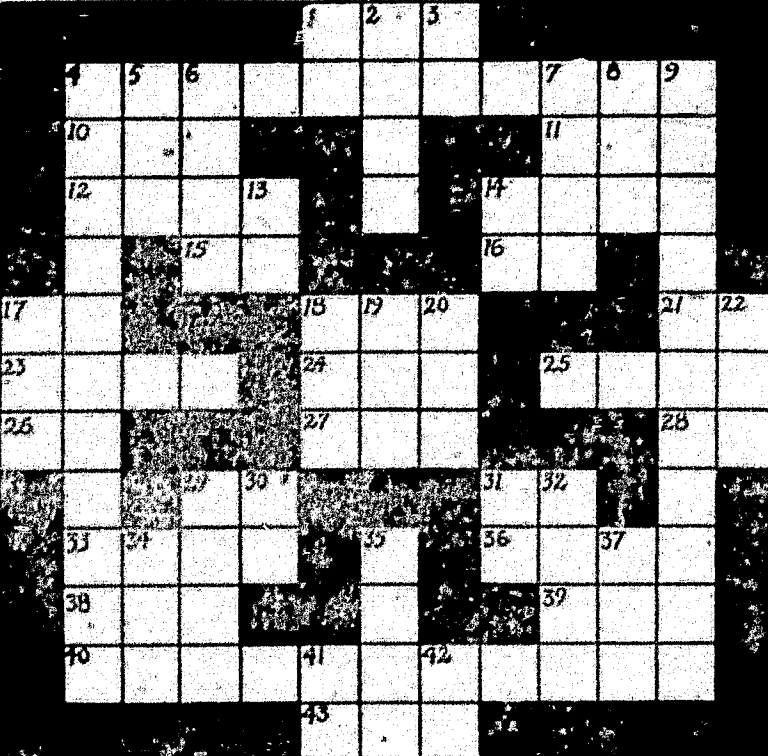
HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white spaces up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 5

"THE MERRY-GO-ROUND"

A whirl on this Merry-Go-Round won't make you dizzy, and your disposition will be perfectly safe, although you won't be able to do it with the w. k. rolling-off-a-log case.



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Horizontal.

1—Fairy queen

2—Tale

3—Land measure

4—A fish

5—Native metal

6—Place

7—Consequently

8—Hypothetical force

9—Organization (abbr.)

10—To tell

11—By

12—A relative

13—Same as vertical

14—Small particle

15—An addition (abbr.)

16—Trap

17—Preposition

18—Greek letter

19—Skeletal piece

20—Paradise

21—Brief space of time

22—Member of solar system

23—Girl's name

24—Melodramatic

25—Japanese coin

Vertical.

1—Mother

2—Nucleon

3—Two

4—Inaccessibility

5—Native metal

6—Information

7—Sour

8—Digit

9—Pertaining to training

10—Perform

11—Heckle

12—To crown

13—Native metal

14—Same as 24 horizontal

15—Liquid

16—Numerical

17—Nucleon (abbr.)

18—Preposition

19—Nucleon

20—Twirl

21—Ancient

22—Intestine

23—Girl's name

24—Like

25—Not out

The solution will appear in next issue.

Solution of Puzzle No. 4.

SOLDIER
FLAY R GUNS
RAY BUC NUN
YAP SUGAR TAR
AT KIN MAN PA
N SING ETON P
GRIN BOAT
L SKIP WALT U
ED SOL OLD OR
DAY NAIVE ALE
BOD TOE ORE
KNAP ONTO
HORATINE

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Fiam M. Thurston late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

PAUL C. THURSTON, Bethel, Maine.

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If Mothers Only Knew

Thousands of Children Suffer from Worms, and Their Mothers Do Not Know What the Trouble Is.

Signs of Worms are Constipation, deranged stomach, swollen upper lip, offensive breath, hard and full stomach with pain, pale face, eyes heavy, short dry cough, grinding of the teeth, little red spots on the tongue, starting during sleep with troublesome dreams, slow fever.

Mrs. H. N. Roberts, 522 Asylum St., Flint, Mich., writes: "My little girl is relieved of her worms." And in a later letter writes: "Baby is fine and it was your."

Dr. True's Elixir
The True Family Laxative
and worm expeller
that helped her.

Family size \$1.25; other sizes 60c and 40c.

CIGARETTES

The little "cotton roll" has come its